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Examiner: NGUYEN, C.T.

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the Duty of Disclosure set forth in 37 CFR 1.56, the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449 are hereby brought to the attention of the Examiner (*and without copies because, eg., IDS's may be filed without copies of U.S. Patents and Published Applications pursuant to QG Notice dated August 5, 2003.*

The enclosed references were cited in an official Action on commonly-invented, commonly-owned, co-pending US Patent Application No. 10/751,304, filed January 2, 2004, not more than three months prior. These references are submitted as belonging to the background of the invention. The claimed invention is believed patentable over the references. The examiner is requested to make an independent judgment

Respectfully submitted,

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